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APPROVAL OF LARGE-SCALE UNDP ASSISTANCE TO A PROJECT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA

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| Project title and number: | Establishment of Federal Dairy Engineering and Processing Advisory Services (Supplementary Assistance) (NIR/68/015) |
| Executing Agency: | Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) |
| Government co-operating agency: | Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development |
| Date of approval: | May 1978 |
| Estimated starting date for project operations: | 1/ |
| Duration: | 2/ |
| Estimated value of the Government input expressed in US dollars: | $222 600 (In kind) |
| Estimated UNDP additional contribution: | $414 200 |
| Source of UNDP financing: | Indicative Planning Figure (IPF) |

## I. Background

1. The Federal Government provides technical and material assistance to the milk production and processing programmes of the States, in line with its policy of building up the livestock and animal products industries. Existing local potential for milk production is considerably under-utilized and will increase with tsetse clearance, establishment of grazing reserves, and improved animal health. At the same time it is forecasted that the demand for local dairy products will increase steadily with the growth of incomes, increases in world prices, increased awareness of the nutritional value of milk products, and possibly with changes in the Customs tariff schedule to raise the duties on dairy imports, abolish duties on dairy machinery, and remove excise taxes from local dairy products. Eventually the commercial economics of the state-owned dairies might attract private enterprise into the field.

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1/ Project operations began in June 1967 under the Expanded Programme of Technical assistance.

2/ The project duration, originally one year, has been extended several times. Field operations are now scheduled to terminate in June 1979 and fellowships in 1982.

2. The Nigerian Livestock and Meat Authority (NLMA) is charged with the function of assisting the States in their livestock and animal products programmes. The Dairy Section in NLMA offers advice and assistance on milk production and processing. UNDP has assisted in the development of this Section since 1967. The project has been extended to assist in developing the Dairy Section with special attention to training.

## II. The project

3. The development objective of the project, which remains unchanged, is to improve domestic food production and in particular protein food by expanding and improving the supply of milk produced and processed for human consumption in Nigeria resulting in better nutrition for more consumers and improved income for the producers. The immediate objective is to develop the Dairy Section within NLMA, consisting of a dairy engineering group and a dairy processing group, which will be capable of offering adequate assistance and advice to the States in various aspects of dairy operation and management.

4. UNDP is providing for the services of a dairy extension expert, and fellowships. The Government is providing counterpart staff, accommodation, equipment and support services.

5. The expenditure components of the UNDP contribution are as follows:

| | Previously approved | | Present approval | | Total approved | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | m/m | $ | m/m | $ | m/m | $ |
| Experts | 54 | 123 100 | 59 | 239 700 | 113 | 362 800 |
| Training | | - | | 172 800 | | 172 800 |
| Equipment | | - | | 400 | | 400 |
| Miscellaneous | | 200 | | 1 300 | | 1 500 |
| | | 123 300 | | 414 200 | | 537 500 |

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